Division of Watershed Stewardship Accepting Grant Proposals For Community Water Quality Improvement Projects

DOVER — DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship is now accepting project proposals for matching grants for community water quality improvement projects. Delaware non-profit organizations, conservation districts, community organizations and homeowner's associations are eligible to apply. Proposals must be received by 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 11.

Community Water Quality Improvement Grants assist in implementing projects or programs to improve water quality on developed lands with specific watershed improvement plans and strategies. Programs and projects selected will demonstrate innovative and sustainable methods, techniques, and/or practices for water quality improvements, with cost effective and measurable results. Projects will be recommended for funding by the Delaware Water Infrastructure Advisory Council through a competitive grant process.

Funding is anticipated to range from \$25,000 minimum to \$75,000 maximum for projects receiving a grant award in this cycle. This grant requires a 25 percent cash match which may be federal, state, or local cash. Applicants may submit up to two project proposals per grant cycle.

Proposals should be submitted by email to Sharon.Webb@delaware.gov with the subject line reading "Community Water Quality Improvement Grant." Proposals submitted by email must be less than 10MB. Project guidelines and the application can be found on DNREC's website on the Environmental Finance webpage.

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